



AMERICAN HOME PRODUCTS CORPORATION

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November 1, 1995

ENVIRONMENT & SAFETY

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Dear Mr. Cosentino:

Re: Bayonne Barrel and Drum

This letter is submitted in response to your letter of September 28, 1995, addressed to American Cyanamid Company (Cyanamid) in the captioned matter. We have reviewed the Request for Information. Our specific answers are set forth below. You should be aware, however, that in December of 1993 Cyanamid spun off its chemicals business to a wholly owned independent corporation, Cytec Industries, Inc. As part of this divestiture, Cyanamid was obligated to turn over all records and documents pertaining to its chemicals business. Additionally, all liabilities arising from the chemicals business operations of Cyanamid were assumed by Cytec.

In conversations with the Bayonne Barrel Hotline, we understand that EPA has documentation pertaining to Cyanamid's former Wallingford, Connecticut, facility which is now owned and operated by Cytec. Accordingly, we recommend that you direct any inquiries pertaining to the Wallingford facility to Cytec Industries. Cytec's address is: Cytec Industries, 5 Garrett Mountain Plaza, West Paterson, NJ 07424, Attention: Karen Koster, Esq.

Subject to the foregoing, our responses are as follows:

1. a. American Cyanamid Company
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Madison, NJ 07940

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- b. American Cyanamid Company is a corporation which was incorporated in Maine in 1907.
 - c. John R. Stafford, President and Chairman of the Board of American Cyanamid Company.
 - d. In November 1994, American Cyanamid Company became a wholly owned subsidiary of American Home Products Corporation.
 - e. Not applicable.
 - f. In December of 1993, Cyanamid spun off its Chemicals Group as a separate independent corporation, Cytec Industries, Inc. Under the terms of that transaction, Cytec assumed responsibility for all liabilities arising from present and historical chemicals operations.
- 2.
 - a. None
 - b. Not applicable
 - 3. See Response #1f above.
 - 4. Robert H. Taggart
 - 5. There are extensive files containing property and casualty insurance policies issued to American Cyanamid Company. These are available for review upon request at our office.
 - 6. See Response #1f above.
 - 7. None other than the caveat provided in the first paragraph of this letter.

All further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,



Margaret R. Tribble
Senior Attorney

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cc: Mr. Marc Seidenberg, Esq.
Office of Regional Counsel
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CERTIFICATION OF ANSWERS TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

State of New Jersey
County of Morris

I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document (response to EPA Request for Information) and all documents submitted herewith, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate, and complete, and that all documents submitted herewith are complete and authentic unless otherwise indicated. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.

Robert H. Taggart
NAME (print or type)

Manager
TITLE (print or type)

Robert H. Taggart
SIGNATURE

Sworn to me before this
2nd day of November, 1995

Sherrie A. Cauwels
Notary Public

SHERRI A. CAUWELS
A NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
My Commission Expires March 7, 2000



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